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FROM PAGANELLI AMEMBASSY DOHA

DEPT PASS TREASURY

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SUBJ: U.S. DIALOGUES WITH OIL PRODUCERS ON ENERGY

REF: KUWAIT 3190

1. VISIT OF TREASURY EXPERTS TO KUWAIT TO DISCUSS WORLD PETROLEUM PRICING AND DEMAND COULD BE USEFULLY DUPLICATED IN QATAR. THERE IS A SUFFICIENT LEVEL OF EXPERTISE IN OIL AFFAIRS HERE TO PROVIDE BASIS FOR DISCUSSION WITH U.S. EXPERTS AND IT IS MY IMPRESSION ALSO THAT THERE WOULD BE RECEPTIVITY WITHIN GOQ TO PRESENTATION SUCH AS THAT GIVEN TO KUWAITIS. RESPONSIBLE PETROLEUM OFFICIALS HERE HAVE CLEARLY INDICATED THAT IF WE CAN SHOW THEM THAT SKY-ROCKETING OIL PRICES WILL BE COUNTER-PRODUCTIVE, THEY WILL FACTOR THIS INTO THEIR PRICE THINKING. TREASURY STUDIES LAID OUT FOR KUWAITIS APPEAR TO BE DESIGNED TO SHOW JUST THAT.

2. ALTHOUGH QATAR IS A RELATIVELY MINOR PRODUCER, IT HAS ITS SAY IN OPEC AND OAPEC. THEREFORE I STRONGLY RECOMMEND THAT SECRET

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TREASURY EXPERTS' NEXT TRIP TO AREA INCLUDE QATAR.

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